

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:224
ANSWERED ON:19.03.2002
MILITANT ACTIVITIES
SHANKERSINH VAGHELA

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any nexus has been unearthed among militants in J&K, North-East and Naxalites in various States;
- (b) if so, the nature of the nexus;
- (c) whether Hawala operators have also been working as conduit for them as well as some politicians in their financial transactions;
- (d) if so, the details in this regard and the action taken so far in the matter; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to check their activities?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a)to(e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.224 FOR ANSWER ON 19.3 REGARDING MILITANT ACTIVITIES.

(a)and(b): There have been reports to indicate nexus between terrorists active in Jammu and Kashmir and in the North East for effective and coordinated actions. There are, however, no confirmed reports of links between naxalites and militants of Jammu and Kashmir and North East. Government is aware of the attempts being made by various terrorist outfits in the country to forge links with each other.

(c)and(d): Terrorist outfits operating in Jammu and Kashmir and elsewhere in the country, have been dependent on Pakistan and other sympathetic countries/patrons for financial assistance which is extended by them through various channels including Hawala operators. A close watch is kept on the situation in this regard.

(e): 'Public Order' and 'Police' being State subjects, it is for the concerned State Governments to devise various methods and take concrete steps to counter terrorist activities in the State. Government has adopted a well coordinated and multi-pronged approach for tackling the activities of militants which includes strengthening the border management to check illegal cross border activities, gearing up the intelligence machinery, close interaction between different agencies of the Centre and the State Governments, neutralizing plans of militants and anti national elements by coordinated action, modernization and upgradation of police and security forces with advanced sophisticated weapons and communication system etc. As a result of coordinated action, several terrorist modules have been neutralized.

Funds are also reimbursed to the States under the Scheme of reimbursement of Security Related Expenditure, incurred by the States on combating terrorist/militant/extremist activities.

Prevention of Terrorism (Second) Ordinance, 2001 have been promulgated under which 25 Terrorist Groups have been notified as Terrorist Organisations to inter alia, facilitate concerted action against terrorists, including their funding.